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For : SMALL MOLECULAR WEIGHT TNF RECEPTOR MULTIMERIC MOLECULE

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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JUNE 15, 2001 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION  
FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in order to address the Examiner's rejections made in the June 15, 2001 Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Office Action was originally due September 15, 2001. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time for responding. The fee for a one-month extension is ONE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$110.00). A check for this amount is enclosed herewith. A response is now due October 15, 2001, and accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend claims 1, 2, 6, 14-16, 19-23, 27-29, 31 and 33-37 as